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1. ABOUT AN HOUR AFTER SCALI MEETING WITH BRITISH AND FRENCH PERM REPS (REFTEL), WE WERE INFORMED BY BRITISH THAT LEBANESE AND EGYPTIANS HAD ACCEPTED OUR INSERTION OF " RECENT", " CONDEMNS" (STATE 074568) AND, AS ALTERNATIVE TO ACCEPTING OUR AMENDMENT TO PARA 4, PREFERRED TO DELETE PARA 4. EGYPTIANS AND LEBANESE COULD NOT ACCEPT CHANGES TO PARA 3.

2. FOLLOWING SCALI- ACTING SECRETARY PORTER TELECON, WE INFORMED LEBANESE PERM REP THAT, IF HE COULD GIVE CONFIDENTIAL

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FIRM ASSURANCE THAT ABOVE CHANGES HAD BEEN ACCEPTED

BY EGYPTIANS, WE WOULD ABSTAIN ON BRITISH/ FRENCH RES.
ON RECEIVING THESE ASSURANCES FROM AMB GHORRA (WHO REACTED
WITH RELIEF TO IDEA OF US ABSTENTION), WE TOLD HIM THAT,
IF HE COULD ACCEPT OUR AMENDED PARA 3 AS WELL, WE WOULD
VOTE IN FAVOR. WE MADE IT CLEAR TO HIM THAT THIS WAS AN
OPTION HE NOW HAD AVAILABLE TO PRESENT TO HIS COLLEAGUES
AND THAT WE WERE PREPARED TO ACCEPT HIS DECISION.

3. WE THEN INFORMED BRITISH PERM REP OF ABOVE DECISION.

4. AMB SCALI ASKED AT THAT POINT FOR MEETING WITH ISRAELI
PERM REP TEKOAH TO BRIEF HIM ON DEVELOPMENTS. TEKOAH CAME
DIRECTLY FROM TELCON WITH DINITZ. HE WAS IN GRIM MOOD.
HE EXPRESSED " SHOCK AND DISMAY" OVER US DECISION AND STRESSED
THAT, IN HIS VIEW, RES WAS ENTIRELY UNBALANCED AND WEIGHTED
AGAINST ISRAEL.

5. AMB GHORRA INFORMED US HE (AND ARABS) COULD NOT ACCEPT
AMENDED PARA 3 AND UNDERSTOOD US WOULD ABSTAIN ON RES
WITH OTHER AGREED AMENDMENTS. WE CONFIRMED HIS UNDERSTANDING.

6. ON ENTERING COUNCIL CHAMBER, CHINESE STRESSED TO US
NEGATIVE AFRICAN REACTION TO REVISED OP PARA 1 WHICH
AFRICANS INTERPRETED AS POSSIBLY APPLYING TO AFRICAN
LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. WE WERE ALSO INFORMED THAT NON- ALIGNED
COSPONSORS OF AMENDMENT WOULD PROBABLY ASK FOR 24 - HOUR
ADJOURNMENT. MISOFF THAYER SPOKE WITH CHINESE (SEPTEL) IN
EFFORT CONVINCE THEM THEY SHOULD NOT STAND IN WAY OF COUNCIL
MAKING DECISION TODAY.

7. FONMIN ZAYYAT REQUESTED PRIORITY FOR HIS RES AND THIS
WAS GRANTED (BRIEF SCALI STATEMENT SEPTEL). ON
BASIS OUR BACK ROOM RECOMMENDATION, SC PRES STATED THAT
HE ASSUMED THERE WERE NO OBJECTIONS AND THAT RES COULD
BE ACCEPTED BY CONSENSUS WITHOUT VOTE. IT WAS SO DONE. AT
THAT POINT GUINEA PERM REP WITHDREW AMENDMENT ON GROUNDS UK-
FRENCH RES REVISED
UNACCEPTABLY AND ASKED FOR ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10
AM APRIL 21. AFTER BRIEF INTERRUPTION OF BITTER OUTBURST
BY ISRAEL PERM REP AGAINST RES, COUNCIL ADJOURNED.

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8. COMMENT: WE ARE GIVING HIGHEST PRIORITY TO EFFORTS
TO ASCERTAIN WHAT NONALIGNED INTEND TO DO TOMORROW.
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